

<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No. 08/976,560	Applicant(s) <b>Freimer et al.</b>
	Examiner <b>Lisa Arthur</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1655</b>



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Lisa Arthur (3) Dr. Mark Freimer  
 (2) Paula Bordon (4)

Date of Interview Oct 5, 2000

Type:  Telephonic  Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted:  Yes  No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement  was reached.  was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: all

Identification of prior art discussed:

none

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:  
Discussed Description and enablement issues. Examiner stated that as written the claims are drawn to a research project, Examiner suggested amending the preamble to recite that the method for detecting increased risk for bipolar disease, rather than to a method for detecting polymorphisms associated with bipolar disease. The examiner also suggested that the method needs to have a step wherein the polymorphisms is present in a family member diagnosed with bipolar disease.

Inventor stated that the data was not collected only from pedigrees but also from population studies such as the large Costa Rican family. Applicants stated they would like to have some sample claims revised prior to filing the response. Examiner stated that the claims would be reviewed but not examined in an unofficial manner.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1.  It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2.  Since the Examiner's Interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.